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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): An additive for a non-aqueous electrolyte of a secondary battery characterized by comprising a phosphazene derivative represented by the following formula (I):

$$R^{1}$$
 $R^{1}$ 
 $P=N-X \cdots (I)$ 
 $R^{1}$ 

(wherein R<sup>1</sup> is independently a halogen element or a monovalent substituent; and X is an organic group containing at least one element selected from the group consisting of carbon, silicon, nitrogen, phosphorus, oxygen and sulfur), wherein at least one of R<sup>1</sup>s in the formula (I) is fluorine.

- 2. (canceled).
- 3. (canceled).
- 4. (withdrawn): An additive for a non-aqueous electrolyte of a secondary battery according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> in the formula (I) is any one of an alkoxy group, a phenoxy

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group, an alkyl group, an aryl group, an acyl group, an amino group, an alkylthio group and an arylthio group.

5. (previously presented): An additive for a non-aqueous electrolyte of a secondary battery according to claim 1, wherein X in the formula (I) is represented by any one of the following formulae (IA), (IB), (IC), (ID) and (IE):

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(in the formulae (IA), (IB), (IC), (ID) and (IE), R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are independently a halogen element or a monovalent substituent; and Y is oxygen, sulfur, or an organic group containing at least one element selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur, carbon, silicon, nitrogen and phosphorus).

- 6. (currently amended): A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery comprising a non-aqueous electrolyte containing an additive for a non-aqueous electrolyte of a secondary battery as claimed in any one of claims 1, 4-to or 5 and a support salt, a positive electrode, and a negative electrode.
- 7. (original): A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 6, wherein a content of the phosphazene derivative in the non-aqueous electrolyte is not less than 1 volume%.
- 8. (original): A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 7, wherein the content of the phosphazene derivative in the non-aqueous electrolyte is not less than 2 volume%.
- 9. (original): A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 8, wherein the content of the phosphazene derivative in the non-aqueous electrolyte is not less than 5 volume%.

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10. (original): A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 9, wherein the content of the phosphazene derivative in the non-aqueous electrolyte is not less than 10 volume%.